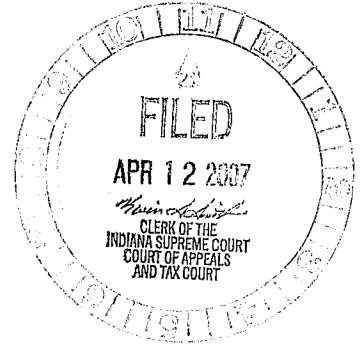


**In the
Indiana Supreme Court**



IN THE MATTER OF

**THE APPOINTMENT OF
ROBERT C. PROBST,
AND STEPHEN SPINDLER AS
SENIOR JUDGES IN THE
DEKALB CIRCUIT AND
SUPERIOR COURT 1**

Case No. 17500-0704-MS-146

ORDER APPOINTING SENIOR JUDGES

The presiding judges of the DeKalb Circuit Court and Superior Court 1 have requested the appointment of Senior Judges Robert C. Probst and Stephen Spindler for service in their courts for 2007, pursuant to Ind. Code §33-23-3-1. This Court adopted revisions to Administrative Rule 5 on December 3, 2003, which made certain changes to the senior judge program in recognition of the importance of senior judges to the administration of justice in Indiana trial courts. Accordingly, we find that the DeKalb Circuit Court and Superior Court 1 have demonstrated the need for additional judicial resources based on their most recent weighted caseload statistics. We find further that the presiding judges of the DeKalb Circuit Court and Superior Court 1 would benefit from the appointment of senior judges to their courts. Senior Judges Robert C. Probst and Stephen Spindler have been certified as senior judges by the Judicial Nominating Commission for the calendar year 2007 pursuant to Ind. Code §33-27-4-1. This Court

may re-examine the appointment made herein at a later date in light of weighted caseload statistics and other circumstances, and make adjustments accordingly.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that Senior Judges Robert C. Probst and Stephen Spindler are appointed to serve in the requesting trial courts at the discretion of the requesting judges, effective January 1, 2007. This appointment shall remain in effect until December 31, 2007. The requesting trial courts shall each utilize no more than forty (40) senior judge service days in the aggregate during the period ending December 31, 2007, and it shall be incumbent upon the presiding judges of each court to ensure that no more than forty (40) senior judge service days are used in each court. Pursuant to Ind. Code §33-23-3-5, each senior judge appointed by this Court in this Order may not be compensated as senior judge for more than one hundred (100) days in the aggregate during the 2007 calendar year.

The Clerk of this Court is directed to forward a certified copy of this order to the Honorable Kirk Carpenter, DeKalb Circuit Court, 100 South Main Street, Auburn, IN 46706-3251; to the Honorable Kevin P. Wallace, DeKalb Superior Court, 100 South Main Street, Auburn, IN 46706-3251; the Honorable Robert C. Probst; the Honorable Stephen Spindler; to the clerk of the DeKalb Circuit and Superior Courts, for entry in the Record of Judgments and Orders; to the Indiana Judicial Center; to the Judicial Qualifications Commission; and to the Division of State Court Administration, Payroll Section.

DONE at Indianapolis, Indiana this 12th day of April, 2007.

RT Shepard
Randall T. Shepard
Chief Justice of Indiana